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To: Workforce Development Board (WDB) Executive Directors &

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From: Connie Colussy, Director

Bureau of Workforce Programs

Subject: WIA Policy Update 04-08 Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for 2004

(WIA programs Updated Income Eligibility)

Purpose

To distribute the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for use in establishing participant income eligibility in WIA and other federally funded assisted programs. The income data may be used when a Workforce Development Board determines that local adult funds are limited and it is necessary to implement "priority services" policies in provision of intensive and training services (including individual training accounts) to program eligible adults. These new guidelines include the 70% LLSIL and 100% LLSIL.

In March 2004, the federal poverty level guidelines were sent to you with WIA Policy Update 04-04. You may review this policy update http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/dwdwia/PDF/policy_update_04-04.pdf.

These LLSIL guidelines went into effect on June 25, 2004.

Legislative and Policy Reference

WIA legislation, Sections 101 (24), (25), 127(b)(2)(C) and 132(b)(1)(IV)

Action Required

Review and use these updated LLSIL eligibility guidelines to update WIA program eligibility and priority of service policies as appropriate and necessary for your area.

Should you have any questions, please contact Amy Phillips at (608) 267-3214 or amelia.phillips@dwd.state.wi.us.

Attachment: WIA Policy Update 04-08 – Lower Living Standard Income Level for 2004.

WIA INCOME GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS

Poverty Guidelines Effective 2/13/04 70% LLSIL Guidelines Effective 06/25/04

Number in Family Including Applicant	Poverty Guidelines	70% of the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL)		
		A. Metro	B. Non-Metro	C. Mil. SMSA
1	\$9,310	\$7,500	\$7,020	\$7,480
2	\$12,490	\$12,280	\$11,510	\$12,250
3	\$15,670	\$16,860	\$15,800	\$16,820
4	\$18,850	\$20,810	\$19,500	\$20,760
5	\$22,030	\$24,560	\$23,010	\$24,500
6	\$25,210	\$28,720	\$26,910	\$28,650
7	\$28,390	\$32,880	\$30,810	\$32,800
8	\$31,570	\$37,040	\$34,710	\$36,950
9	\$34,750	\$41,200	\$38,610	\$41,100
10	\$37,930	\$45,360	\$42,510	\$45,250
11	\$41,110	\$49,520	\$46,410	\$49,400
12	\$44,290	\$53,680	\$50,310	\$53,550
For each additional family member add:	\$3,180	\$4,160	\$3,900	\$4,150

^{*}The LLSIL may vary according to location in the state:

<u>COLUMN A</u> is for all of the metropolitan areas of the state, **except the Milwaukee**Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area.

This includes Douglas, Chippewa, Eau Claire, Marathon, La Crosse, Brown, Sheboygan, Outagamie, Winnebago, Calumet, Rock, Dane, *Racine, and Kenosha Counties.

COLUMN B is for all of the non-metropolitan areas of the state.

COLUMN C is for the Milwaukee-Racine Metropolitan Statistical Area, which includes Ozaukee, Washington, Waukesha and Milwaukee Counties.

Please notice that for some Workforce Development Areas (WDAs) with both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas, you will have to use one of <u>two</u> columns, depending on whether the applicant lives in a metropolitan or non-metropolitan area, unless the WDB has chosen to use only one, in which case, you must use the lower (non-metro) column.

WIA INCOME GUIDELINES

Number in Family Including Applicant	2004 LLSIL (100%), By Family Size	
	A. 100%	
1	\$10,700	
2	\$17,540	
3	\$24,080	
4	\$29,720	
5	\$35,070	
6	\$41,020	
7	\$46,970	
8	\$52,920	
9	\$58,870	
10	\$64,820	
11	\$70,770	
12	\$76,720	
For Each Additional Family Member Add:	\$5,950	

<u>COLUMN A</u> Updated 2004 LLSIL (100%)- Use the LLSIL to determine the minimum level for establishing self-sufficiency criteria at the state or local level. This is the minimum figure States must set for determining whether employment leads to self-sufficiency under WIA programs.